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Monday, 19 December 2005

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1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Africa

   Briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator

3 p.m. — 5332nd meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Briefings by Chairmen of Security Council committees and working groups

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Informal consultations of the plenary on the Human Rights Council

10 a.m. — 23rd meeting (closed) — Conference Room 1

3 p.m. — 24th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 1

Main Committees

Second Committee

3–6 p.m. — 39th meeting — Conference Room 2

1. Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development [51]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.6 and A/C.2/60/L.72

2. Eradication of poverty and other development issues [56]

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(a) Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.41 and A/C.2/60/L.73

(b) Women in development

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3. Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly . . . . . [116]

Action on the draft provisional programme of work for the Second Committee 2006 (A/C.2/60/L.66)

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Fifth Committee

10 a.m. . . . . 32nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 . . . . . [124]

Estimates in respect of Special Political Missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/60/585 and A/60/7/Add.24)

International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (A/60/6 (Sect.13)/Add.1 and A/60/7/Add.16)

Construction of additional office facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa (A/60/532 and A/60/7/Add.24)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/60/L.40: The Peacebuilding Commission (A/C.5/60/22 and A/60/7/Add.25)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.17 (as orally revised): Convention on the Elimination of All forms of Discrimination against Women (A/C.5/60/12 and A/60/7/Add.15)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.1/60/L.50/Rev.1: Transparency in Armaments (A/C.5/60/14 and A/60/7/Add.19)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.22/Rev.1: Rights of the Child (A/C.5/60/15 and A/60/7/Add.18)

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.15/Rev.1: Future operations of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/60/16 and A/60/7/Add.20)

Programme budget implications of the Administrative and financial implications arising from the report of the Standing Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board (A/C.5/60/18 and A/60/7/Add.22)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Estimates in respect of Special Political Missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/60/585 and A/60/7/Add.24) and International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO (A/60/6 (Sect.13)/Add.1 and A/60/7/Add.16))

3–6 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 124 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/60/6, A/60/6/Corr.1, A/60/6/Corr.2, A/60/6/Corr.3, A/60/6/Corr.4 (French only), A/60/6 (Introduction), A/60/6 (Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Sect. 3), A/60/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1 (French only), A/60/6 (Sect. 4), A/60/6 (Sect. 5), A/60/6 (Sect. 6), A/60/6 (Sect. 7), A/60/6 (Sect. 8), A/60/6 (Sect. 9), A/60/6 (Sect. 10), A/60/6 (Sect. 11), A/60/6 (Sect. 12), A/60/6 (Sect. 13), A/60/6 (Sect. 14), A/60/6 (Sect. 15), A/60/6 (Sect. 16), A/60/6 (Sect. 17), A/60/6 (Sect. 18), A/60/6 (Sect. 19), A/60/6 (Sect. 20), A/60/6 (Sect. 21), A/60/6 (Sect. 22), A/60/6 (Sect. 23), A/60/6 (Sect. 24), A/60/6 (Sect. 25), A/60/6 (Sect. 26), A/60/6 (Sect. 27), A/60/6 (Sect. 28), A/60/6 (Sect. 28A), A/60/6 (Sect. 28B), A/60/6 (Sect. 28C), A/60/6 (Sect. 28D), A/60/6 (Sect. 28E), A/60/6 (Sect. 28F), A/60/6 (Sect. 28G), A/60/6 (Sect. 29), A/60/6 (Sect. 30), A/60/6 (Sect. 31), A/60/6 (Sect. 32), A/60/6 (Sect. 33), A/60/6 (Sect. 34), A/60/6 (Sect. 35), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/59/397 and A/59/793))

Revised estimates to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 under sections 1, 8, 28A and 35 and income section 1 (A/60/303)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7, A/60/7/Corr.1 and A/60/7/Add.1)

Agenda items 124 and 136 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007; and Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: 2005 World Summit Outcome: Revised estimates to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 under sections 1, 2, 3, 11, 16, 23, 28A, 28C, 28D, 28E, 28F and 29; Revised estimates to the support account for peacekeeping operations for the period from 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2006 (A/60/537, A/60/7/Add.13 and A/60/7/Add.13/Corr.1); and Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: Section 29, Office of Internal Oversight Services (A/60/7/Add.14))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 32nd meeting of the Fifth Committee.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Programme budget implications

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Monday, 19 December 2005

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (A/60/L.16) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

3–5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Other meetings

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Monday, 19 December 2005

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

ASEAN (Second Committee meeting) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia)

3–4.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 19 December 2005

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

2 p.m. Mr. Takaeshi Matsumoto, Head of the Kaii Higashiyama Museum; Mr. Wusheng Wang, Chinese fine arts photographer; and Mr. Takashi Murai, Chairman of the Organizing Committee (on the exhibit *Spirit of the East*, to be opened on *Monday, 19 December 2005*, in the Visitors' Lobby)

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 20 December 2005

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Time to be announced — 66th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/60/L.40) [46 and 120]
2. The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict [11]
   (a) Letter from the Russian Federation transmitting the report of the Kimberly Process Certification Scheme (A/60/589)[1]
   (b) Draft resolution (A/60/L.42)

Informal consultations of the plenary on Secretariat and management reform

10 a.m. — 5th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 4

Informal consultations of the plenary on the follow-up to the World Summit Outcome on development and Economic and Social Council reform

3 p.m. — 5th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 2

[1] To be issued.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 33rd meeting on Tuesday, 20 December 2005, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 33rd meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

The list of speakers for the general exchange of views of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, to be held from 9 to 20 January 2006, is *open*. To inscribe on the list, please contact the secretariat of the Preparatory Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; fax 1 (212) 963-5305; or e-mail del-vasto@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (16–19 January 2006) will take place on Wednesday, 11 January 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work for the session are contained in document E/ICEF/2006/1. All delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session for 2006

The first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 16 to 19 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2006/1. Advance copies of this and all other documentation for the session are available on the UNICEF Web site (www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_25993.html).

Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the UNICEF Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, 13 January 2006.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Joint meeting with the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA and WFP

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNICEF and UNDP/UNFPA, with the participation of the World Food Programme (WFP), will be held on 20 and 23 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, as follows:

Monday, 9 January 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6: on the overview of findings and recommendations of the evaluation of gender mainstreaming in UNDP and the UNDP management response; and

Wednesday, 11 January 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in the Trusteeship Council Chamber: on the UNIFEM organizational assessment (A/60/62-E/2005/10), chaired by H.R.H. Prince Zeid Ra'ad Zeid A' Hussein (Jordan), Chairman of the Consultative Committee of UNIFEM.

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 2006, on Monday, 9 January 2006, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6.

First regular session 2006

The first regular session 2006 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 24 January, to Friday, 27 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2006/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, but not later than Friday, 13 January 2006.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 20 January, and Monday, 23 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Friday, 20 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2006.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Informal meeting for the Asian countries (organized by the Permanent Missions of Japan and the Philippines)

Wednesday, 21 December 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Thursday, 22 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Latin American and Caribbean Group

Thursday, 22 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Announcements

Preparations for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (27 February–10 March 2006), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Enhanced participation of women in development: an enabling environment for achieving gender equality and the advancement of women, taking into account, inter alia, the fields of

education, health and work; and (b) Equal participation of women and men in decision-making processes at all levels. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and curricula vitae which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate on the theme. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463). *The deadline has been extended by two weeks, until Wednesday, 21 December 2005.*

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 5 December 2005, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 15 December 2005

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Main Committees

Second Committee

37th meeting

Organizational matters

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

Macroeconomic policy questions . . . . . [50]

(b) International financial system and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.2 and A/C.2/60/L.67

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.67.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, the representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves to their statement), the United States and Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made statements.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Selwin Charles Hart (Barbados), made a statement.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.67, draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.2 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee has thus concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

Sustainable development . . . . . [52]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World summit on Sustainable Development (A/60/158)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Oral decision

The Committee took note of the report of the Secretary-General on actions taken in organizing the activities of the International Decade for Action, "Water for Life", 2005-2015, as contained in document A/60/158.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.23/Rev.1

The representative of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) orally corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee was also informed that a recorded vote had been requested on operative paragraph 7 of the draft resolution.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on operative paragraph 7 of the draft resolution.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Japan.

The Committee adopted operative paragraph 7 of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.23/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 158 to 3, with 2 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union).

The representatives of Somalia and the Niger made statements regarding their vote.

The Committee then proceeded to take action on the draft resolution as a whole.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.23/Rev.1, as orally corrected.

After the vote, the representative of the United States made a statement.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Stefano Toscano (Switzerland), made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

(g) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.35/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.35/Rev.1 contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee was also informed that a recorded vote had been requested on operative paragraph 18 of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.35/Rev.1.

The Committee then proceeded to vote on operative paragraph 18 of the draft resolution.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Japan.

The Committee adopted operative paragraph 18 of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.35/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 159 to 2, with 1 abstention.

The Committee then proceeded to take action on the draft resolution as a whole.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.2/L.35/Rev.1.

After the adoption, the representative of the United States made a statement.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Stefano Toscano (Switzerland), made a statement.

Globalization and interdependence . . . . . [54]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

(a) Globalization and interdependence

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.12 and A/C.2/60/L.71

The Committee was informed that the draft resolution contained no programme budget implications.

The Facilitator of the draft resolution, Ms. Ḥusniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), orally corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.71, as orally corrected.

After the adoption, the representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) and Canada made statements.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Juraj Koudelka (Czech Republic), made a statement.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.71, draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.12 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee has thus concluded its consideration of the sub-item

(c) International migration and development

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.15/Rev.1

The Committee was informed that draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.15/Rev.1 contained no programme budget implications.

The Committee was also informed that Italy, the Philippines and Turkey were to be listed as the original sponsors of the draft resolution. Subsequently, the representative of Brazil informed the Committee that the following Member States had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution: Argentina, Bolivia, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Georgia, Guatemala, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Ukraine and Uruguay.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.15/Rev.1.

After the adoption, the representatives of the United States, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) and Canada made statements.

The representative of Argentina made a statement regarding the Spanish text.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Juraj Koudelka (Czech Republic), made a statement.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.16 and A/C.2/60/L.62 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/60/L.70)

The representative of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) requested to suspend the meeting.

The Committee resumed its meeting.

The Chairman of the Committee orally corrected the draft resolution.

The representative of Switzerland orally amended operative paragraph 7.

The Committee was informed that Belarus had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The representative of the United States invoked rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly to delay action on the draft proposal.

The Committee then postponed its consideration of the sub-item to its next meeting.

Groups of countries in special situations . . . . . [55]

(a) Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.32/Rev.1 and A/C.2/60/L.69 (programme budget implications: A/C.2/60/L.52)

The Committee was informed that draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.32/Rev.1 contained programme budget implications, as outlined in document A/C.2/60/L.52.

The Committee was also informed of an amendment to draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.32/Rev.1 contained in document A/C.2/60/L.69.

The representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) and Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made statements.

A recorded vote on the amendment contained in document A/C.2/60/L.69 was requested.

The Committee then proceeded to a recorded vote on the amendment.

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The Committee rejected the amendment contained in document A/C.2/60/L.69, by a recorded vote of 45 to 112, with 5 abstentions.

A statement of explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of Norway.

A vote was requested on operative paragraph 6 of the draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.32/Rev.1.

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representative of the United States.

The Committee adopted operative paragraph 6 of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.32/Rev.1, by a recorded vote of 117 to 1, with 45 abstentions.

A statement in explanation of vote after the vote was made by the representative of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union).

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.32/Rev.1 as a whole.

After the adoption, the representatives of the United States, Japan, Benin and Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made statements.

The Committee has thus concluded its consideration of the sub-item.

(b) Specific actions relating to the particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries: outcome of the International Ministerial Conference of Landlocked and Transit Developing Countries and Donor Countries and International Financial and Development Institutions on Transit Transport Cooperation

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.33 and A/C.2/60/L.68

The Secretary of the Committee read out a statement of programme budget implications arising from draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.68.

The representative of Japan orally corrected the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.68, as orally corrected.

The Rapporteur of the Committee made a statement.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.68, draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.33 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item as a whole.

Towards global partnerships . . . . . [59]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.38/Rev.1

The Secretary of the Committee read out a statement of programme budget implications arising from draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.38/Rev.1.

The representative of Brazil orally corrected the draft resolution.

Before the adoption of the draft resolution, the Committee was informed that Albania, Angola, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bolivia, Burundi, Canada, Cape Verde, the Congo, Costa

Rica, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Japan, Madagascar, Mali, the Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Spain, Switzerland, Ukraine and Uruguay had joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of Spain orally corrected the Spanish text.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.38/Rev.1, as orally corrected.

After the adoption, the representatives of the United States and Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made statements.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Juraj Koudelka (Czech Republic), made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of the item.

Organizational matters

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

A statement was made by the representative of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The representatives of France, the United States, the Russian Federation, Argentina and the Syrian Arab Republic made statements.

Friday, 16 December 2005

Security Council

5330th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 16 December 2005, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5330th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Hédi Annabi, Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

"Members of the Council, Mr. Annabi and representatives of participating troop-contributing countries had a constructive exchange of views."

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

64th–65th plenary meetings

The summary of the 64th and 65th plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2005/245).

Main Committees

Second Committee

38th meeting — The summary of the 38th meeting of the Second Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2005/245).

Fifth Committee

31st meeting — The summary of the 31st meeting of the Fifth Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2005/245).

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 16 December 2005

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

27th meeting (closed) — *Methods of work* . . . . . [6]

The Committee considered the item.

Submission of reports by States parties . . . . . [4]

The Committee considered reports by States parties.

28th meeting — *Organizational and other matters* . . . . . [3]

The Committee discussed the item and thus concluded its third session.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. London, 29 June 1990

Accession: Swaziland (16 December 2005)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Acceptance: Russian Federation (14 December 2005)[1]

Accession: Swaziland (16 December 2005)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Acceptance: Russian Federation (14 December 2005)[1]

Accession: Swaziland (16 December 2005)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Acceptance: Russian Federation (14 December 2005)[1]

Accession: Swaziland (16 December 2005)[1]

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Belize (15 December 2005)[1]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979

Communication relating to the reservations made by the Federated States of Micronesia upon accession: Portugal (15 December 2005)[1]

Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel. New York, 9 December 1994

Communication relating to the declarations and reservations made by Turkey upon accession: Portugal (15 December 2005)[1]

Convention on Road Traffic. Vienna, 8 November 1968

Withdrawal of reservation concerning article 11, paragraph 1 (a) made upon ratification: Switzerland (12 December 2005)[1]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Rectification of the original of the Convention (Spanish Authentic text) and transmission of the relevant Procès-verbal: (15 December 2005)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts
New York, 23 November 2005

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Safety of United Nations and Associated Personnel
New York, 8 December 2005

Opening for signature

The above Convention was adopted on 23 November 2005 during the 53rd plenary meeting of the General Assembly by resolution 60/21 (A/RES/60/21). In accordance with its article 16, the Convention shall be open for signature by all States from 16 January 2006 to 16 January 2008 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The above Optional Protocol was adopted on 8 December 2005 during the 61st plenary meeting of the General Assembly by resolution 60/42. In accordance with its article IV, the Optional Protocol shall be open for signature by all States from 16 January 2006 to 16 January 2007 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

Certified true copies of the Convention and Optional Protocol, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention and/or Optional Protocol could notify, and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the Treaty Handbook on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at the following address: http://untreaty.un.org.

Other announcements

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Special event on the theme "Celebrating the global South: Diversity and creativity", on the occasion of the Second United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation (sponsored by the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, United Nations Development Programme)

Monday, 19 December 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, UNDP (tel. 1 (212) 906-5727).]

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2005* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Rwanda
H.E. Mr. Stanislas Kamanzi

Asian States:
Iraq
H.E. Mr. Samir Shakir Mahmood Sumaida'ie

Eastern European States:
Romania
H.E. Mr. Mihnea Ioan Motoc

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Barbados
H.E. Mr. Christopher Fitzherbert Hackett

Western European and other States:
Canada
H.E. Mr. Allan Rock

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With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Friday, 16 December 2005.

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A/60/PV.56	Meeting held on 29 November 2005, 10 a.m. [E]
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A/60/7/Add.23	Items 46, 119, 120, 122 and 124 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Strengthening of the United Nations system — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations — Implementation of decisions from the 2005 World Summit Outcome for action by the Secretary-General — Ethics office; comprehensive review of governance arrangements, including an independent external evaluation of the auditing and oversight system; and the independent audit advisory committee (A/60/568 and Corr.1 and 2) — Twenty-fourth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/60/7/Add.24	Item 124 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council — Twenty-fifth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/60/505	Item 67 — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/507/Corr.1	Item 69 — Elimination of racism and racial discrimination — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]

A/60/509/Add.2 (Part II)	Item 71 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/509/Add.3	Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/572	Item 123 — Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Second performance report on the programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/60/585	Item 124 — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/60/L.40	Items 46 and 120 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Draft resolution submitted by the President of the General Assembly — The Peacebuilding Commission [A C E F R S]
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A/C.2/60/L.72	Item 51 — Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development — Draft resolution submitted by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.6 [A C E F R S]
A/C.2/60/L.74	Item 52 (g) — Sustainable development: implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa — One-Power amendment to draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.34 — International Year of Deserts and Desertification, 2006 [A C E F R S]
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S/2005/786	One-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
S/2005/788	3-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]
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S/RES/1643 (2005)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5327th meeting [A C E F R S]
S/RES/1644 (2005)	Adopted by the Security Council at its 5329th meeting [A C E F R S]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

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CEDAW/C/SR.693	Meeting held on 13 July 2005, 10 a.m. [A C E F R S]

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DP/2006/L.1	Item 1 of the provisional agenda — Organizational matters — Provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan — Note by the Executive Board secretariat [A C E F R S]

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